

--- 1/6th Pound - "Series of 1883" - BLUE - 253 x 15 mm. - 5th BABN Contract (1892-1897) ---

--- Recess printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. red controls ---

Chris Ryan reports [CRS Newsletter, No. 41] that the 1/6th pound denomination was added to the "Series of 1883" in 1889-1892. John McKay first records the denomination as 787,000 copies of "1/6 lb. Black" *recess printed* by rotary press delivered under the **4th BABN Contract** (1886-1892). This printing was in **black ink**, and the size was new to the manufactured tobacco strips, as there were no 1/6th pound strips in the "Series of 1880-81".

John McKay records that 100,000 copies of the "1/6 lb. Blue, Tobacco" recess printed by rotary press were 'Delivered' under the **5th BABN Contract** (1892-1897).

5th BABN Contract - April 23rd 1892

100,000 recess (rotary press)

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The catalogue lists the recess printed "Series of 1883" blue 1/6th pound strip as follows:

RP-618 - 1/6th pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, on horizontal mesh wove, with 4 mm. red controls

--- RP-618 – 1/6th pound - *coarse roulette* – 253 x 15 mm - scanned at 67% scale ---



RP-618 - 1/6th pound, *coarse roulette*, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm control **010224**



RP-618 CP - 1/6th pound, *coarse roulette*, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm control **010263**, stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. violet Gothic letters

010204	RP-618 CP	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove, stamped CANCELLED in 3 mm. Gothic
010224★	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
010245	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
010263★	RP-618 CP	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove, stamped CANCELLED in 3 mm. Gothic
074045	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074102	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074104★	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074172★	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074173	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074194	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074196	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074308	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074391	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove
074424	RP-618	1/6th pound, coarse roulette, printed by rotary press on horizontal mesh wove

John McKay has listed 100,000 copies of **RP-618** - the blue 1/6th pound "Series of 1883" strip as 'delivered' under the **5th BABN Contract**, but the control numbers seem to 'peter-out' at 75,000. What happened to the remaining strips?

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